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Recovery News

FREE REBUILDING ADVICE AVAILABLE FOR TWO MORE WEEKS

FEMA teams in home improvement stores through Dec. 13

PASADENA, Calif. — Free professional advice to help home and business owners toughen up their property against fires, storms and other assaults of nature is available through Dec. 13. Specialists from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) have helped more than 17,000 residents of Southern California learn how to rebuild safer, more fire-resistant homes and businesses after recent wildfire destruction.

“A few simple techniques can really help to make your home and property more fire resistant,” said Jay Michaud, FEMA public outreach coordinator. “You can avoid a lot of headaches down the road if you rebuild carefully.”

FEMA and state mitigation information is for homeowners, building contractors, architects and others who want to learn simple, effective building techniques and landscape strategies that could save costly repairs and prevent damages in the event of future wildfires.

Rebuilding specialists will be available to answer questions and provide information from 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the following home improvement stores:

At Home Depot locations through Dec. 5

5755 Mission Ave.	Oceanside
12185 Carmel Mountain Road	San Diego
12175 Tech Center Drive	Poway
1001 N. El Camino Real	Encinitas
32020 Hwy 79 South	Temecula
1151 W. Lugonia Ave.	Redlands
6200 Irvine Blvd.	Irvine
1475 East Valley Parkway	Escondido

At Home Depot through Dec. 13

28033 Newhall Ranch Road	Santa Clarita
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At Home Depot Dec. 7 – 13 only

1055 W. 21 st St.	San Bernardino
20021 Lake Forest Drive	Lake Forest

At Lowe's locations through Dec. 5

155 Old Grove Road	Oceanside
2225 Otay Lakes Road	Chula Vista

At Lowe's through Dec. 13

620 W. Mission Ave.	Escondido
2318 Northside Drive	San Diego
19601 W. Nordhoff	Northridge

At Lowe's Dec. 7 – 13 only

304181 Avendia De Las Flores	Rancho Santa Margarita
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Unmanned self-help information booths are available at the following stores:

Escondido Lumber True Value	310 S. Quince St.	Escondido
True Value	532 B St.	Ramona
Ramona Ace Hardware	652 Main St.	Ramona
Lake Drive Ace Hardware	23895 Lake Drive	Crestline
Rim Forest Lumber	26491 Pine Ave.	Rim Forest
Cedar Glen Hardware	28946 Hook Creek Rd	Cedar Glen
Penasquitos Hardware	13179 Black Mountain Rd	San Diego
Griffin Ace Hardware	10511 4S Commons Drive	San Diego
Griffin Ace Hardware	3880 Valley Center Drive	San Diego
Agua Fria Hardware	26890 Highway 189	Blue Jay

FEMA coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) coordinates overall state-agency response to major disasters in support of local government. OES is also responsible for maintaining the State Emergency Plan and coordinating California's preparedness, mitigation and recovery efforts.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, economic status or retaliation. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, you should call FEMA toll-free at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or contact your State Office of Equal rights. If suspicious of any abuse of FEMA programs, please contact the fraud hotline at 1-800-323-8603.

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